

# How can I recycle plastic bags?

## Bring empty, clean plastic bags to:

- Many local supermarkets. Look for a collection bin near the front of the store or ask customer service:
  - Harvest Coop (580 Mass Ave)
  - Star/Shaw's Market (699 Mt Auburn St, 20 Sidney St, Porter Square Shopping Center, Twin City Plaza)
  - Whole Foods (200 Alewife Brook Pkwy, 340 River St, 115 Prospect St)
- Recycling Center during open hours: Tue/Thu 4-7:30pm, Sat 9am-4pm. The Center is located near Inman Square in the back right corner of the DPW yard. Cambridge residents only.

Plastic bags collected at these drop off locations are compacted into a big cube called a "bale." The bale is sent to companies that make new products from recycled materials such as plastic lumber, bags, crates and pipes.

## Why aren't plastic bags accepted in the curbside recycling...

Plastic bags jam equipment at the recycling facility, causing costly delays and repairs.



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